original Pink. THE PINE DISTRICT OF MISSIS-

SIPPI.

borne to Gen. A. M. West.

My Dear General: When we speak the "Pine Woods," or the "Sea eren lands. This impression is ceraly erroneous. I know of no country at holds out more inducements for mital industry, and intelligent hus ry; that combines so much health and comfort with so many avenues to competence and opulence.

lands of good arable soil, intersect- trees on this coast, in full bearing, sixty hold, clear, never-failing streams, years old, and with no symptoms of deforest of yellow pine stretches, woods do well, and suffer less than elsehaard and eastward, from Pearl where from cold. This tree is more afto the Leaf and the Chickasawhay, fected by sudden changes of temperature strawberries and melons, and can do so Lumber Shipped.

drained by Pearl and Pascagoula and an unexpected freeze occurs, is the a, and their numerous tributaries. og timb r from the remote interior. like most other plants, may be trained to stand second bottoms, with natural and usually covered with a rich bles. They will fruit in four, five and otton to the acre. Rice, potatoes,

I sent specimens of these Prof. Hillgard, formerly State personally examined these They found carbonate of lime, phosphorus, vegetable organic ad other elements of fertility, in

rivers, bayous and and creeks, cessfully planted. uscle shells, readily converts

limestone.

DAIRY FARMS. a we see what leveeing, ditching uping have achieved in Holland, as of England, in our own counan other quarters, we may exme day to find these great natural is converted into haviields and s, the home of a thrifty people. ousist of alluvium based on sand y; an artificial, but exhaustless The grass, of several varieties, ank and course, but actual experis demonstrated that, the more it d and mowed, the more tender ulent it becomes. The late Mr. of Grand Coquille, in the Rigopped fifty bales of this hay to leans which could only be sold r, it was so rough; but he perand in two or three years brought

WEEKLY CLARION.

Vol. XL .-- No 6.

JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1876.

Two Dollars a Year.

plum, pomegranate, pear and fig; pe croakers, etc., are very abundant. These these races in the various pursuits, and ply the world with lumber and naval one up. Mr. John L. Dantzler, an incan, grapes of many varieties, strawber- are taken to the New Orleans market, generally ladustrious, economical and stoles. We would furnish consumers telligent magistrate and planter, residing ries, dewberries, blackberries, the per- and to the various villages along the sea- successful. Skilled workmen earn from for the surplus provisions produced in on Leaf river, Perry county, informed ances should be by postal order, when otherwise, they will be with a family of five persons. He had settled there in 1812, found within a few miles of the whole from \$1.50 to \$3.00. Ordinary laborers oysters, fish and tropical fruits, and the with a family of five persons. He had settled there in 1812, found within a few miles of the whole from \$1.50 to \$3.00. Ordinary laborers oysters, fish and tropical fruits, and the grow in great perfection and yield abord coast. Many of these are sent by mail from \$1 00 to \$1 50. A steady farm valuable merchandise discharged through then ten children, thirteen grandchil ant returns. Nearer the seashore we find, to the interior, but the business of can- hand may always find employment, and our Custom House. in addition, the orange, lemon, citron, ning oysters, crabs and shrim; and of board and lodging, at \$12 00 to \$15 00 shaddock, jujube, almond, bananns, olive, salting and drying fish, has not yet been per month the year round. Our numerand, occasionally, the pine apple. With introduced. It offers an inviting field our saw-mills employ many hands and proper attention and study of the accli- for enterprise and capital. The planting raftsmen and axemen at high wages, sissippi City, Handsboro, Biloxi, Ocean examples are quoted from my journal, Lett r from Hon. J. F. W. Clai. mating capabilities of plants, most of the of oyster beds would pay well, and is The shipyards require many workmen. Springs, Scranton, East Pascagoula, are and I could fill pages with similar intropical fruits, and many of the most specially recommended to the enterpris. Many hands are wanted to man the all incorporated and flourishing towns, stances.

valuable roots and fibrous-leaved plants ing. and textiles, might be successfully cultivated here. The orange is just now at tracting much attention. The tree is

The sea coast of Mississippi is not low when ten or twelve years old. I have hoop poles, tar, turpentine, rosin, shells, and swampy, but a high, bold bluff, seen bifurcated trees sawed apart, when sand, hides and peltries, live stock, argined at its base by a beach of pure ten years old, and transplanted, each sec- poultry, etc., to New Orleans. the sand, and supporting on its brow tion growing and fruiting. When the forest of stately pine, live-oak and roots of the orange tree run on or near magnolia. The soil is a light, sandy, the surface, the tree becomes hardier and stable loam, by no means unproduct fruits earlier. The theory of planting ably produced in this quarter. Our gearly cultivated, and, by proper this tree, in my opinion, is never to pines run as freely as they do in North ament, yielding for a long series of dig a hole for it. Plant shallow, and sup. Carolina, and handsome returns were is abundant crops of vegetables and port with stakes, until it throws out lat. realized. There is no reason why the t, remarkable for their flavor. Pure eral roots to support itself. The excision business should not be resumed. cool water is here everywhere ob- of the tap root is a mooted question. As ed at a depth of from ten to twenty an accessory to shallow planting, I cut The country for two or three the tap roots, replant them, and in due Orleans and Mobile Railroad, we might, ly made up for me by W. M. Gillespie, a back is much the same, but then it time get from these a second crop of as to andulate; there is more clay plants for setting out, quite as good as lead in the early supply of vegetables and the District of Shieldsborough, at his oil; the timber becomes almost the first. The best locality, it is thought, fruit for the New Orleans and up country office at Pascagoula, the principal shipsively pine, and is of heavier and is near the water, or salt marsh, with the markets. With proper attention, we ping point on this coast: Twenty miles back, the protection of the forest on the North. ry is higher; in some localities On the high bluffs of our salt water

The lands are classed apart, and the orchard can be cropped two years. with peas, potatoes, melons, or vegeta-

average value. Wine-making bids fair to become one fifteen counties, is admirably adapted of the compass, one may of the industries of the pine-woods counthrough these aucient woods, and ties. The Concord, several varities of and undergrowth that sheep delight to aem, as they have stood for ages, Ives' Seedlings, some of the table grapes | crop. The surface is gently undulating, had by the hand of man. A rail of France, succeed well; but the re the summer grass never fails; the ravines could be cheaply constructed. For nowned Scuppernong is our peculiar abound with reeds, rushes, and switch greater in proportion to population than sountry may be boast. It requires no particular care - cane, that furnish nutritious food and No moun- bone-dust ashes, charcoal, vegetable at the North? It has been often demonrocks to mould, and sweepings from a blacksmith strated that Southern fleeces are as fine The surface is shop-provide two or three cart loads of and as heavy as the fleeces of colder cliand solid; the materials for con- light-wood posts and rails-and tet her mates, and sheep more healthy. Mr. Cock-North Carolina, with her will cover half an acre of ground. It is a Saxony, France and England. In New by Cape, forbidding egress from her hardy bearer; seldom rots; hangs on York or Vermont the breeder must own and the labor and capital ex- the vine until it shrivels, and has no su- or rent every acre of land his flocks in the frozen pineries of Maine, perior as a wine grape. Mr. Alfred V. tread upon, and sheep require a wider the still bleaker shores of the Davis, of Pass Christian, a capitalist, range and are harder on pastures than Here we have a and a man of great energy and cultiva- any other stock. He must fence, hedge, or enterprise far more extensive - tion, has eighty acres of the Scuppernong, or wall it in, and pay taxes upon it benign climate—a and has made and is making first class | Folds and shelters are to be put up, and exempt from storms-capacious still and sparkling wines, on an exten- grain and hay for the long winters proaccess to all the markets sive scale. Col. A. E. Lewis, of Jack- vided, and abundant salt. Nevertheworld! A Railroad would develop son county, and other sea-coast gentle less, distempers and murrains often occagreat resources, and build up an men, are successfully pursuing the same | sion great mortality. Still the Northern ant commercial entropol on our enterprise. It requires capital to manu- shepherd perseveres, prospers and grows

STAPLE CROPS.

safe crop on this Coast, anywhere within of the herbage; more than all to the the influence of the salt air from the smoke of the burning pine, and the vasea. It rates in the market quite as well por of tar, which the live stock in the and in commercial facilities; an intellias that grown in South Carolina. Yield, pine woods constantly inhale. I have gent population; over one hundred about 800 lbs. of seed cotton to the acre | seen larger and | heavier mutton, grain and season. Tobacco, from Florida or equal to ours when put upon the table. Cuba seed, has been tested, and, in careful hands, would be a paying crop. A large area of land here is specially favorable to its culture. Sug r-cane succeeds admirably, and is a reliable and remunerative industry. Rice, so far, is grown asted, and immediately plow- exclusively on uplands, and only for be thrown into a compost heap, domestic use. Its culture might be profdated with lime or animal itably extended. Sweet potatoes have uring the winter; or may be been made to yield 500 bushels to the the barn yard or cow-pens acre. Two crops of Irish potatoes are y yards, with pine straw, or grown on the same land; the first planting in January, the second in August. targin of these marshes, often Indigo, broom-corn, the sorghums, and ite, and at numerous points the castor-oil bean, have all been suc

CHARCOAL AND WOOD.

This is an extensive and paying busi ine straw—the leaves ness on the sea-board. The coal is burned cks-the sedi- near some navigable bayou, and delivponds and sloughs - the debris ered to schooners at 124, 16 to 18 cents out the pine district, at from \$3 00 to charcoal pits—sea-weed a barrel. Workingmen, steadily pur- \$10 00 per acre. Unimproved at \$1 25. by the waves-and the offal suing this business, become independent. Large quantities of public land may yet by abandant means of Hard wood is worth on the bank, \$2 50 be entered under the Homestead act, try, there are valuable marl \$1 50. Our salt water bayous are nutracts, 80 acres for about \$8 00; the miles, affording plenty of water, and fur homes in the world, and the healthiest,

this coast are numerous and on a costly and without money, can always secure here extensive scale. They pay cash for all a good and comfortable home. Throughthe logs that can be delivered; the price out the district there are excellent farmgenerally remunerative, but, of course, ing lands-lands which in the Carolinas, varying with the dimensions of the tim- in Virginia, Maryland or New Jersey ber and the state of the market.

SAND AND SHELLS.

The former for building purposes, the latter for streets and roads, employ many persons and vessels profitably.

but might be greatly extended. A mark, England and Ireland, bear exposure taking in cargo in this port. but might be greatly extended. A claim of islands, you perceive from the standard of the West-cle. Besides, other grasses might obliced to supersede the native The Bermuda grass, set out in cut up and plowed in, soon cartuplands, and covers with its rich even the naked sand.

Eastern Mississippi produces very respect, as well as the cleimate, in design out of the back seat of give with the documbers. Asking in cargo in this port.

Give us the desired rail communication, which has deal of once the sain provide climate. Asking in open climate the climate, in design out of the back seat of give with the sum open climate. Asking in open c

SHIP BUILDING.

the orange is transplanted at one or two smiths and riggers are always in demand, create a new demand for labor. years old. Shallow planting and hori- and the vessels they fit out command zontal roots are recommended. The tree good prices on sale or charter, to carry is tenacious of life, and may be removed lumber, hard wood, shingles, staves,

Previous to the war, these were profit-MARKET GARDENING AND POULTRY.

on our warm, friable, loamy soil, take Esq., the efficient Deputy Collector for may be ten days or a fortnight in advance STATEMENT OF VESSELS EXTERED AND ally but with broad surfac's of bayous the orange flourishes, and we have that fruits and vegetables grown on dry, of riparian planters, and it is well known | CLEARED AT PASCALOULA. MISS, FROM sandy soils are of superior flavor. This No. Vessels Entered, coastding fine water power; and the cay. Trees planted in the open pine and the West generally, with okra, egg coast should supply St. Louis and Chicago, plants, tomatoes, peas, beans, gauliflowers No. Vessels Cleared, coast-

than by intense cold. After a long, ahead of those who plant on alluvial Singles Shipped, warm spell which has started the sap, soils. be to retard the flow of sap. The orange, treatment. It is a business which, if pursued as a business with all that the No. Vessels Entered, foreign 108 described streams may be seen a heavy endure cold weather. I prefer to give term implies, would yield very large No Vessels Cleared, foreign. 97 these streams may be seen a heavy my trees a northern exposure. They profits. I do not hesitate to say that any flourish on almost any soil. A little ashes, person investigating a hundred or a Lumber Shipped, ... beech, water oak, maple, backberry, flourish on almost any soil. A little ashes, person investigating a bundred or a meth, water oak, maple, hackberry, oyster shell lime, marsh mud, and an thousand dollars in poultry raising, and occasional mulching is all they require. bringing to it the proper knowledge and

> six years—the grafted fruiting earliest; Both good investments. Our summer are subject to few diseases; are very long range in pine lands cannot be excelled. lived; require less attention than any And in winter the cane and reed brakes other fruit tree; and will average, when on the rivers and creeks, and the marsh in full bearing, 1,000 oranges to the tree. grasses, furnish sufficient food. Cattle The demand is unlimited. The oranges are rarely ever fed. During the summer on this coast are pronounced superior in and fall, and when running on cane in flavor to any in the market. \$10.00 per | the winter, they make excellent beef, thousand, at the orchard, is about the readily sold at a handsome profit, for the coast market, and to the New Orleans

The whole district, embracing ten or little or no pruning. Plant your vine; warm shelter all winter. Why should treat it with its favorite food-a little not wool growing be more profitable than pacity for lumber supply, and the figrip! She will run as long as you will rill, of Mississippi, successfully competed put down the posts, and in a few years with the most famous wool growers of facture wine to compete with the foreign | rich. Here one may graze 1,000 sheep

article; a man of limited means may without owning a foot of land, or paying bry river, or salt water creek, de profitably grow grapes to dispose of to the any taxes. From Pearl river to the Ala into Mississippi Sound, has, on manufacturer, and there is no interest bama line there are vast natural pasoth banks, a margin of marsh or that may now be more profitably fol- tures, of unsold and unoccupied land. No stacks or barns are wanted, and the epidemics of colder climates are unknown. I attribute this to our benign Sea Island or long staple cotton is a climate; to the saline air and saturation -more or less, according to land, culture, | fed, in the North and West, but none

> SOCIETY-PUBIC OPINION, Our sea shore population is refined, social and intelligent. Clique dom and exclusiveness are unknown. Composed of people from every State, and from sectionalism. All well-conducted per Europe, the West Indies, Mexico, and sons, of every race, and color, are well comed. No inquisition into political private property. We are Democrats millions of feet, sawed to order, up the and Republicans, devoted to our country, Mississippi and Missouri rivers, and breathing the same prayer for its exacerbations, are unknown in this section of Mississippi.

Improved lands, with small, plain buildings on them, may be had, through-The steam saw and planing mills on in labor. An industrious man, with or

had here at government price.

would bring \$10 to \$15 per acre, may be

From our list of timber, and the facili- absentees, who have extensive gardens, ings embowered with roses and vines, these pine woods. propagated from the seed-by grafting ties furnished by our milis, and the orchards and ornamental grounds, and and combining all the attractions and I am a native of Natchez, of delicate on the wild or sour orange-stock-by demands of the coasting trade, there these give profitable employment and comforts of seaside resorts-extensive organization, subject in early life to sesuckers or scions-or by cutting off and have sprung up here numerous ship yards, comfortable berths to many men and shellroad drives, well kept hotels and vere attacks every year, and my consti replanting the tap root. If practicable, where very handsome, staunch and women. Manufactures, it is presumed, restaurants, yachting, fishing, and refined tution enfeebled by the copious bleedit would be best to plant the seed where clipper vessels are turned out. Good will soon spring up here, with the influx society. In all these flourishing commu-ings and mercurial treatment then in the tree is to stand. From nursery beds, ship carpenters, calkers, painters, black of immigration and capital, and this will nities, there are well conducted seminal fashion.

LUMBER-FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC TRADE-PORT OF PASCAGOULA AND SHIP ISLAND HARBOR.

the State is its trade in sawed and square in 60 hours in New York! Timber, Shingles and Laths; a business commenced only a few years since, suspended and broken up by the war, and conducted since under many drawbacks. What it will be, when our mighty forest, covering some fifteen counties, is tapped and traversed by railroads, it would be difficult, from its magnitude, to estimate. What it is now, may be seen from the With the facilities offered by the New following statement, which has been kind-

JAN . 1 TO DEC. 31, 1876.

wise Tonage. wise, Tonage,

To the above statement 25 per cent, should period of danger: and the point should be added for Lumber shipped in ves els thrives better, and with very rough Custom House.

Timber: 974 500

the West Indies.

Respectfully Submitted, Some of these vessels load directly longside the Mills; others outside the bar of Pascagoula river by lighters. The

Until this enterprise was started by a few of our energetic citizens, about the same time, and in the same spirit that dyspepsia, but as sure to catch the ague; can walk or ride as far in a day as most animated the patriotic Wesson when he put up his pioneer cotton mill, it might be said that Mississippi had no sea-port, and no commerce. Every article consumed by her, from the most necessary to the most superfluous, was the production of a foreign or a distant industry : but the value of our great staple is the average of production in other States. Add to the great staple our ca-

ures would be amazing. Nature has given us the most salubrious and charming coast in the world perforated by noble rivers-indented with capacious bays and estuaries-a deep channel running along its whole effectual breakwater against the winds kiss the sparkling waters. The prospect and waves. Soundings of these waters and the air are exhilarating, and the inare accurately noted on the old French valid finds these powerful adjuvants to and Spanish charts. As far back as the clixir of the springs. sances were made by engineers in the in- cific action of these waters in a great terest of companies chartered by the variety of diseases. Legislature of Louisiana. The U. S. loast Survey has since made a thorough exploration, and it must be conceded that we have a harbor equal to all the requirements of commerce. We pay duties on imports to the amount of millions of dollars annually; and of all our vast exports and imports scarcely a fraction is shipped or received through our own ports! Will posterity believe it? continent, fertile in lands, in staples, miles of coast, and a noble harbor at our doors-voluntarily importing all they consume and shipping all they produce,

through the ports of other States! Without any encouragement from the State or National Government; with no railway communication with the interior; paralyzed by the ravages and exactions of war; a few of our citizens have every nationality of Europe, there is no inaugurated a direct trade in timber with our own Northern cities. They likewise supply much of the lumber used by opinions, as these are regarded as one's builders in New Orleans, besides sending

Had our State been wise, this great ships that come for cargoes, would discharge their freight at our own wharves. A great commercial emporium would

great variety of fruit. The peach, apple, trout, speepshead, flounders, mullet, tring and navigation. But we find all come private property. We would sup

VILLAGES - SCHOOLS - CHURCHES.

schooners and barges plying to and from immediately on or near the seashore, You ask me for my own case, and New Orleans. Much of the sea-board very picturesque, handsomely built up, though I dislike to write about myself, I front is owned by wealthy residents and shaded with venerable trees, the dwell will do so to illustrate the salubrity of ries of learning, and Catholic and Pro | My whole life had been a protracted

testant churches. The New Orleans & Mobile railroad gress, and during that time had several The great industry of this section of communication with those two cities, and election, in the room of the Committee

MINERAL WATERS.

ident population, but Providence, in its was my medical attendant. Neither he Mrs. Young, so there was a little excuse munificence, has placed them within our nor any of my friends thought I would reach. In Marion, Covington, Wayne and recover. Dr. Wm. G. Austin, of Vir-10 805.21 vation. Numerous distinguished citizens, -a living monument to the health of

They may be planted about twenty feet care, would double his money every berto Europe, South America, Mexico and desperate cases from the Infirmary of native State has done for him." New Orleans, and from his own private By Dr. Austin's order I settled in the cures effected would fill a volume. salt marsh. These wonderful fountains are not bur- During this long period I have never largest size timber ships lie in Ship lied in a morass steaming with poisonous had a fever; never have taken an emetic exhalations; they are not on some bleak or cathartic; no recurrence of the hemmountain side where one may drive out orrhage; cat and drink what I please, and not insome small, damp, befogged valley, young men. Up to the breaking out of not on some frozen lake in the far north one cent for medical services during my west, in a low, flat, swampy and desolate residence in the county. region. But the position is at once beau | Having said this much about the soil, tiful and commanding. A rippling bay, products, undeveloped resources, and dotted with verdant islets, and looming health of the sea-board and pine woods out into the "deep blue sea," "far as the district of Mississippi, I leave it to practibreeze can bear the billows foam." In cal men to strike a balance between Titans that have "braved the battle and fruit, the marked privileges of our coast, the storm" for ages, and now fling their and the profits to be made on the fisherdews, over this charming shore. Acrys- stock, beeswax, honey, butter, cheese, length, forming a capacious harbor, pro and gigantic live oaks, that no elemental in fever scourged swamps and pestilentected by a chain of islands making an strife can shake, gracefully stoop to tial diggings.

> The exhaustive analysis made by Dr 1836, an accurate survey was made by an engineer under the authority of the Jones, the distinguished Professor of State, and by order of the Brandon Chemistry in the University of Louisi Bank & Railroad Company. Reconnoi- ana, establishes the great value and spe-

> > THE SEA-COAST IN WINTER,

And the pine district generally, are spe cially adapted for invalids. The weather generally mild, the air balmy and invigorating. We often dine on Christmas day in the open air, the roses in blocm and every variety of vegetable in full hearing. Our hotels-which are numerous and first-class-are now open the One of the greatest communities on the year round, and have special arrangements for winter visitors and for invalids.

HEALTH.

The gallant Ponce de Leon, governor of Porto Rico, met his death on the sand of Florida, in 1512, when in search of a miraculous fountain, that once drank of, insured perpetual youth. Had the Indians, who fiercely disputed every inch of ground with the Castilian chivalry, allowed him a peaceful march, he would have found, not the fabled object of his search, but the healthiest climate in the world, in the pine forest of Mississippi. The county of Scott, for example, was Providence in the creation of editors. I only three adults had died.

I certify, that since the organization of A. EASTLAND,

Clerk Probate, Scott County, Miss. In Jones county, Isaac Anderson, Esq., have grown up, under our own jurisdic- the oldest magistrate, informed me that tion, supplying our planters with foreign during a residence of 23 years, with a and domestic merchandise, and a home family of ten children, thirteen grand would employ. And so the editor affords new sovereign. market for their cotton.

During the war of 1814, the British fleet, before the invasion of Louisiana, children and fifteen negroes, he had never had a case of fever, and had never employed a physician. His brother fleet, before the invasion of Louisiana, fleet, before the louisiana fleet, before the louisiana fleet, before the louisiana fleet, before the louisiana flee children and fifteen negroes, he had a safe receptacle for all the small spite i; and in the interior per cord; light wood \$2 00; baker's pine excellent farming, pasture and timbered time, has fifteen children, and has the process of about \$8 00; the light wood \$2 00; baker's pine excellent farming, pasture and timbered time, has fifteen children, and has the process of about \$8 00; the light wood \$2 00; baker's pine excellent farming, pasture and timbered time, has fifteen children, and has the process of the proc si 50. Our salt water bayous are nu-merous, running back generally 10 to 15 entire cost—thus supplying the cheapest ship. Island, in three and a half to four medicine. I called to see the venerable of tracts, 80 acres for about \$8.00; the within a few miles of shore, inside of never used for any of them a dose of shore and blow up the ship. Island, in three and a half to four medicine. I called to see the venerable fathoms of water! Over the bars of the John Evans and wife, in the same editor. If he has said anything, or nishing almost every neighborhood with shipping privileges.

In the same and the easiest for a poor man to get a start on the road to independence. Many shipping privileges.

In the same and wife, in the same allowed to be said, that I do not start on the road to independence. Many shipping privileges.

In the same and wife, in the same allowed to be said, that I do not start on the road to independence. Many shipping privileges.

In the same and wife, in the same allowed to be said, that I do not start on the road to independence. Many shipping privileges.

In the same and wife, in the same allowed to be said, that I do not start on the road to independence. Many shipping privileges.

In the same and wife, in the same allowed to be said, that I do not start on the road to independence. Many shipping privileges. large land-holders will sell lands, at very \$1.00 per ton. It often costs a ship have never been sick. In Marion counlow prices, on long credits, and take pay in labor. An industrious man, with or without money, can always secure here a good and comfortable home. Throughout the district there are excellent farmout the fine costs a ship have never been sick. In Marion count in farmout the sever, and the sever.

*1.00 per ton. It often costs a ship have never been sick. In Marion count in farmout the sever and the sever is a ship of the sever and the sever.

*1.00 per ton. It often costs a ship have never been sick. In Marion count in farmout the sever and the sever is a ship have never been sick. In Marion count in farmout the sever is a ship have never been sick. In Marion count in farmout the sever is a ship have never been sick. In Mario the bar, and crosses it again on her of fever in his family. His wife was the that I have made him wince, and the joy and pride when she saw herself thus and swops jackets and jack knives. return, costs some \$5,000! These mother of fourteen children, and had relief to me will be the same." And what charges are paid indirectly by the pro- never seen but one dose of medicine charges are paid indirectly by the pro- never seen but one dose of medicine charges are paid indirectly by the pro- never seen but one dose of medicine charges are paid indirectly by the pro- never seen but one dose of medicine charges are paid indirectly by the pro- never seen but one dose of medicine can also began to teach Betsy selves in love when they are not. The ducers. Without knowing it, they foot administered. A few miles further one above the grade of medicine one above the grade of the bill in the additional value added to eastward was the residence of Stephen very low grade of intellect-can stop his the merchandise imported. So secure is H. Wilkins, merchant and farmer. His paper ! Two-thirds of the working classes in Ship Island harbor, and so easy of access, house is on the edge of a large mill the pine district, including the seatoast, are whites—natives and naturalized citizens. Those from the Eastern charts. They often come with invalid

dren, and some seventy negroes, and during the whole period never had occasion for a physician, and but three deaths-Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian, Mis- one of old age and two infants. These

invalidism. In 1835-6-7, I was in Con-

places these beautiful villages in close severe attacks. About the commenceproximity with each other, and in direct ment of the famous Mississippi contested Santa Claus and Ilis Dealings of Foreign Relations, of which I was a member, I was seized with hemorrhage from the lungs, and was carried to my In so healthy a country, there is but domicil in a fainting condition. The little use for mineral waters for the res- late Professor Sewall, of Washington,

These Springs were first brought to the notice of Dr. Wm. G. Austin of New the distinguished S. S. Prentiss. I would the distinguished S. S. Prentiss. Orleans, in 1852, by the Rev. P. P. Bowen, not let him enter upon the canvass, for I troubled with chilblains, and hobbled which had resided in the vicinity and had say the could not survive it. I induced him to give up public speaking and nary cares effected. Dr. Austin satisfied him to give up public life altogether. Since then, bimself by positive testimony and minute he has lived in the pine woods. He 33,316.43 himself by positive testimony and minute he has lived in the pine woods. He Claus (in fact, had that gentleman been ceremony is to be performed. They are 885,346 " analysis of the springs. He traced the visits New Orleans two or three times a benevolently disposed toward her, his tradition that had given celebrity among year, as he says, to consult me, but really, Note -Square Timber to Europe Lum- the Indians and French. He selected I think, to show what the sea coast of his

> practice, and from the patients of other | Hancock county, Mississippi, on a salt physicians, and the results were most sat- water bayou, about four miles from the isfactory and conclusive. The records of sea, and surrounded by a pine forest and

With great respect, J. F. H. CLAIBORNE, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISS., May 6th, 1876.

SELECTED MISCELLANY. mmmmmm A VISIT FROM SANTA CLAUS.

A jolly old fellow, whose hair is snow-white, And whose little bright eyes are blue, Perhaps he will call upon you.

(You can tell what it is, no doubt;) He creeps down the chimney as fast as he And then just as swiftly creeps out.

ripe; His nose, too, is red as can be; You may smell now and then the smoke of his pipe. But his face you never may see.

He carries a bag full of sweetmeats and toys, And leaves them wherever he goes For the good little girls and good little

Little Folks.

What Editors Were Made For.

Rev. L. Philletus Dobbs, in the Nat, Baptist.]

And now we discover the object of

So loang up your little white hose!

organized in 1833. In 1843, when it do not deny (for I can afford to credit all cast 300 votes, during all that interval men with what belongs to them, and am not compelled to steal) that I am not a papa and mamma rushed in from their little indebte l to Dean Swift, who gives, this county, in 1833. no letters of adminis- as one of the reasons for not abolishing peace, prosperity, progress and perpetu harbor would long since have been control by the Probate Court or applied for, as will nected with the interior by rail, and the appear from the records of this office. of men (the clergy) whom everybody could feel at liberty to insult with entire impunity, knowing that their professional character precluded them from resorting and so he turned the stocking cautiously to the violent measures that a layman inside out, when lo! out rolled a bright to the violent measures that a layman

CHRISTMAS.

It is coming! I can see along the street. In the eyes of all I meet. Curious gluces, looks inquiring, Seeking some hing-still destring; In the searching, never tiring, I can tell the coming.

It is coming! Toy-shop windows show it; Boys and girls all know it, And they lay awake o' nights, Thinking of the gorgeous sights And the many new delights That are coming.

It is coming! By the loads of evergroen In the market places seen; By the cakes and pies now baking, And the preparations making;
By the turkers that are quaking,
I can tell the coming. It is coming! Tender notes have been indited,

Guests from far and near invited-

With the pleasure of the meeting, And the joyous, happy greeting At the coming.

With Bobbie.

Bobbie Young was a fine little fellow, on the whole, although he was spoilt by being the least little bit in the world | - Harper's Magazine for January. selfish. He was the only son of Mr. and for it. He lived up in the north of Jackson counties there are Sulphur Chaly- ginia—now and for many years at the In winter Bobbie always enjoyed himself A negro man has just applied to a have been much resorted to by strangers. having determined on moving to Missis-Mineral wells are found at Mississippi Sippi, had come to Washington to get City and in the vicinity. But I invite letters of introduction from me and other fears were directed, for at least a month seems the woman's brother had run her your attention particularly to the cele friends. He found me in the condition before it came, was Christmas eve, for off from her husband and taken her across brated Ocean Springs, immediately on above described, and remained with me then Santa Claus used to put in Bob the creek. "How can I get her, boss, our sea-board. The late eminent Dr. until I was able to travel. Under Provine's stocking all the things that Bobbie and what's de law in Virginiay?" asked pronounced this the best mineral water in tention. In a letter published by Dr. wished for. Oh! the delight on the next the negro. The cheapest way, said the South. Many of the most prominent Austin in 1873, he makes the following ing of sundry articles—balls, tops, it; just go across the creek and everpower remarkable cures effected, among their is now living on his sea island cotton Bobbie used to be in a good temper all it, boss," said the negro; "a hard winter day long on Chrismas day. And this setfin' m, no wood and no nuffia; but clergymen and professors, have given that region. Many years ago he was my three years old, and had first discovered like a stove; d'only time a wife's a comclergymen and professors, have given 13.313.48 certificates of their own cases, and of 6.908.330 feet. desperate cases and radical cures accomof Congress. I brought him home from Washington almost in a dving condition.

The congress ago is use in a dving condition. The congress of their own cases, and of Congress. I brought him home from Washington almost in a dving condition. Washington almost in a dying condition. one Christinas etc. Donnell Mashington almost in a dying condition. fun of the little kitchen maid, Betsey, other.

laughing, and that "shure it wor as like | ter the heads of the affianced have | been Betsy's walk as two peas," Finally knocked against each other three or four papa, hearing a great noise below, or- times, the bridegroom puts the prepared resembling an inverted cauldron, where a the war I had on my plantation about one boy is so full of spirit about Santa Claus bride, while she does the same to him, that he can't keep still," When Bobbie went to sleep he dreamed a fearful dream. He thought that an old man came down the chimney-

Santa Claus, in fact. In one hand he carried a bag full of toys of all kinds, another large bag was over his shoulthe background stands the great pine health and comfort, pure air, sea breezes, were suspended from all parts of his the Central Market, when a stall-koeper body, and upon his head was a threecornered red cap. In the other hand, wouldn't take off his boots and run to the hoary shadows, and distil their balsamic lies, on tar, turpentine, lumber, fuel, live red when Santa Claus is angry—i. e., however, he carried the rod that turns | City Hall and back. tal river, fringed with verdure, winds, hides, peltries, tallow, wool, poultry and little folks, and, alas for Bobbie's hopes, like a thread of silver, around the village; hay, and the prospect of becoming rich the rod turned a most brilliant scarlet! The little man stepped briskly across the room to Bobbie's stocking, hung up just where every one could see it, and

consulted with himself in a loud whisper: "This must be a greedy little fellow; be hangs his stockings so that I can't possibly miss it; well, never mind; every hild does that." And Santa Claus was just popping into the stocking a lovely little brass cannon, just what Bobbie wanted, when unfortunately he glanced Will be making his visits on Christmas vivid red, "Ah!" said Santa Claus, same as afore Mr. Jackson hoofed it "that's because he teased that poor aroun' in de snow," Betsy about her chilblains. But I'll A funny old name has this funny old man, serve him out! He shall have some as well as Betsy." And he picked out some large red lumps, chilblains, in fact,

His plump cheeks are rosy as red cherries Bobbie lay transflixed with surprise. see if it were really so. Imagine his a self-made-man-that I made myself, thought if he were not dressed in time some h-hair on the t-top of your h-head? mamma and papa would come, and then he should be teased for being such a baby as to cry because his stocking was

> So he prepared right manfully to put on the stockings. But oh! when one foot got to the bottom there was something gave it such a bump-cold, round and hard. Bobbie screamed so loudly that

"What is the matter, love" said mamma. "The-the-chilblains," gulped out her hopeful son, pulling out his foot as though a serpent had stung him. But he foot had nothing the matter with it,

"There, Bob," said papa, "we thought cumlocutory eyele of oralorical senerosity,

Then out came the history of the dream, and how Bobbie had thought that the something cold in the stocking was a A city cat last week returned a count of his unkind teasing with such effect that powers, and threw six of them out into after all, she had reason to be thankful the pleasure of giving pain to a rival, for Santa Claus and to Bobbie. - Little

This business employs many persons, many persons, many persons, mark, England and Ireland, bear exposure taking in cargo in this port.

Around the Christmas tres we stood

And watched the children's lares. As they their little gifts received With childish airs and graces. We grown folks bad our share of fun In making wee ones merry, and laughed to see the juvenile Kies 'neath the "hally herry." Basic one ant sweet Bessle Moore,

THE CHRISTMAS GIFT.

MY II. O. DRINK

A lovely dark-cyed maiden, While near her stood our little Eve. Her arms with love-gifts laden, Dotll around the room she went, The blue-eyed baby, shyly, Ant, blushing red, into each lap

Her offerings dropped styly. But when to me the darling came All empty-handed was she,
And when I asked, "Why slight me thus "
She answered, "Oh, betause we—
We dinna know you tumming here!" Ami then, with blue eyes shining.

To Bersie's side she went her arms
Her sister's neckentwining.
"But something I must have," said I,
"My Christmas-night to gladden.
A shade of thought the baby face Seemed presently to sudden, Till all at once, with gleeful laugh-och, I know what I do sir!

ve only sister Beade left, But I'll div her to you sie !" Amid the laugh that came from all I drew my new gift to me. White with flushed cheeks her eyes fact mine, And sent a thrill all through me, "Oh! blessed little Eye!" crosd [] And all hear's are wiltly beating

Yourgift I welcome gladly ! The little one looked up at me,
Half wonderingly, half sailty.
Then to her father straight I turned,
And humbly asked his blessing.
I pon the Christmas gift, the white

My long-stored hopes conteasing And as his aged hands were raised Above our heads, bowed lowly, The blessed time of Christmas ne'er Had seemed to be se holy.

A Good Winter Wife.

Weddings in Borneo.

intentions would have been frustrated blessings as lasting and health as vigoreffectually by the large holes in her old ous may attend the pair. A cigar and worn out stockings, and much as she betal leaf, prepared with the aroca nut, wanted to write to her old mother she are next put in the hands of the bride could not, because no one had even and bridegroom. One of the priests taught her how to write. Her poor then waves two fowls over the heads of syes were full of tears when Bobbie the couple, and in a long address to the came into the kitchen "for fun," as he Supreme Being, calls down blessings said. He hobbled about just like Bet- upon the pair, and implores that peace sey, until the cook said she was ill with and happines may attend the union. Afwhom she thus acknowledges as her husband.

The "Off" Mide.

Detroit Free Press. offered to bet him a quarter that he

The money was put up in the hands of Brother Gardner, the colored philosopher, boots and stockings came off, and away

the man trotted in the snow. "I believe I takes dat currency," he remarked as he returned in gallant

attenshun of dis crowd to de followin Brother Gardner, exhibiting a paper and placing his finger on the statement that John Morrissey had declared all bets off. "Dat settles dis quediun to once," he continued. "I returns all de money at the rod, which turned a still more | cept 3 per cent., and do case is just de

The Omnibus.

A well-known buld-bended banker put them into the stocking, and suddenly who always prides himself on being a selfdisappeared up the chimney, while made man, during a recent talk with a friend had occasion to remark that he When he arose next morning, so was the architect of his own destinyvivid did last night's occurrence appear | that he was a self-made man. "W-w-hat that he half suspected to find some d did you s-say?" asked the friend, who chilblains in his stocking; and he ran to stutters. "I say with pride, that I am horror! the stocking was empty! Our replied the banker. Then while you were here sat down upon the bed, and sobbed | m-makingtyourself," stammered his friend as it his heart would break. But he "why the dickens d-didn't you p-put

> was as its lowest ebb. She had been silent and still for nearly an hour. Sud dently a smile of ineffable content beamed from her pale features, and turning to that when I am gone my new cardinal

he was coming home from prayer meeting, and sat down to rest, fell asleep, and while he was asleep there the county built the jail around him, and when he awoke the jailor refused to let him out. "Pray, Mr. Professor, what is a periphrasis?" "Madame, it is simply a cir-

the morals and humanity of the nation. seven kitens, and then the lady of the house assumed ministerial and clerical

the sewer. Man is a reasoning animal, who paints

passion for noveity and excitement, are frequently mistaken for something far better and holier, till marriage disen-Testimony is like an arrow shot from a | chants the self-deceiver, and leaves her astonished at her own indifference and evaporation of her romantic fancies.